West Valley Water District Internal Control System Review STATUS MEETING AGENDA

Date:

September 17, 2019

Time:

02:00 P.M.

Location:

West Valley Water District

855 W. Baseline Rd, Rialto, CA 92376

Persons Attending:

Status Meeting Agenda Sign-In Sheet, EWP _____.

Agenda Items:

- 1) Current Procedures:
 - a) Reviewing contracts and invoices
 - i) Additional supporting documentation
 - b) Sampling payroll/overtime
 - c) Reviewing Directors' Expenses
- 2) Pending:
 - a) Fixed asset inventory listing
 - b) Wire transfers
 - c) Review reconciliation from cashier register to bank statements
 - d) Ethics course from directors

Preliminary Issues:

Human Resources:

- +The district failed to provide documentation to support the district performed a hiring process for executives' positions
- +Failed to provide a fair and competitive hiring process for three non-executives positions
- +Hired position before position were approved in the district's budget

Excessive increase in pay rate from internal promotion

No evidence that the District performed a thorough review and verified candidate's education and work experience.

Background checks were performed after candidates were hired

Contracts:

Multiple professional contracts did not undergo a competitive bidding process

Multiple contracts exceeded the original contract amount

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Multiple services were provided and invoice before a purchase order was completed.

District excluded multiple contractors' insurance requirement

Credit Cards:

Credit cards expenses lack justification and supporting documentation

Credit Card were used for non-district business related expenses

Multiple credit card purchases did not follow the district purchasing policy

Expenses:

- +Invoices lack of detail and description of work performed.
- +Failed to perform the district purchasing process; invoices were received before purchase requisition and purchase order.
- +Travel expenses for consultants

Sponsorship Police and Fire Awards Dinner

Sponsorship 78th Annual Installation Gala-Casino Royale

Lobbying Fees

Sierra Lakes Golf Club.

Varner & Brandt, 74639, 1/17/2019 duplicate payment of \$12K of legal fees (payment was originated in Check No.74429, 12/14/2018

Lack of Segregation of Duties:

District personnel outside of the Finance and Purchasing department have access right to the district accounting function; they have the ability to execute, track, and record transactions

+Lack of policy and procedures

+Cancellation of EPLI Insurance policy from ACWA JPIA